



GRANT RECIPIENT
LAKE COUNTY PARKS AND
RECREATION

YEAR
2011

COUNTY
LAKE

CATEGORY
LAND ACQUISITION

GRANT AWARD
\$62,250

LOCAL SHARE
\$62,250

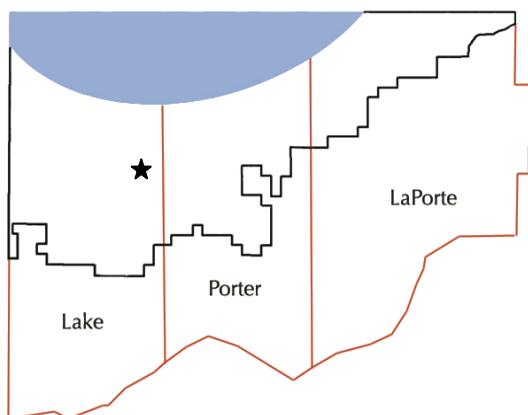


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Roth Acquisition at Deep River County Park

Lake County Parks has been developing, protecting, and adding on to Deep River County Park since the early 1970's. Deep River is currently around 1,100 acres split north and south of Route 30. One of the goals for the park is to link the north and south units along Route 30. This project was the fee-simple acquisition of a key 14.1 acre parcel between the north and south units of Deep River County Park within the Town of Merrillville. This parcel is north of 30 and helped provide linkage to the north from parcels the park owns south of Old Lincoln Highway (73rd Avenue). Also, this acquisition provided some future trail access to the south unit of Deep River. The Roth acquisition protected riparian habitat along Deep River. These areas hold many plant species, old river oxbows, and provide great habitat for many species of birds, mammals, amphibians, insects, and reptiles. This property protection improved opportunities for species to move under the Deep River Bridge on Route 30, and some species to cross over the road north or south. Lake County Parks will demolish the house and other buildings along Route 30. This property has been in the Lake County Parks Open Space Vision Plan for over 30 years. This property helped provide a protected riparian corridor of floodplain along the east side of Lake County.



RESULT: Lake County Parks acquired 14.1 acres to be added to Deep River County Park.